

Dumont Shade Tree Commission Meeting
Monday, 9/20/11, 7:30pm
Dumont Library

Roll Call: Sally Tayed, Abbie Slaman, Ray Slaman, Sara Reiss, Ryan Metz, Rafael Riquelme, Larry Tobias, Tom Fisichella

Sunshine Law: The Dumont Shade Tree Commission has complied with the open public meeting act, having sent notice to The Record, Ridgewood News, filed with the Municipal Clerk and posted on the Borough's Official Bulletin Board.

8/15/11 Meeting: Approval of minutes postponed to next meeting

Tree Maintenance: Tom reported that because of the DPW internet was not working, tree maintenance is behind for about a week. Ray reported that he is working on how to handle side walk safety and he is putting recommendations together for future discussions. One consideration is using different sidewalk materials.

I Tree: Larry reported that he finished block 10. Larry is working on a new program called I-Canopy. This program can help with statistics in regards Percentage of trees, tree types etc.

Adopt-a-Tree: Fall planting has begun. Ray plans to plant between 20-25 trees. Ray recommends that all bags should be removed before the cold weathers gets here.

Non Profit: Rafael reported that The Borough's Lawyer, Greg Pasteur is on the final stages on reviewing the by-laws. He has a few comments to address. He is also working on the incorporation papers.

Motion was offered by Ray, second by Sara to vote on new name for the non-profit.

Friends of the Shade Tree: 5 (Tom, Abbie, Sally, Ryan, Lady)
Friends of the Dumont Shade Tree-4 (Sara, Ray, Larry, Rafael)

Grant Status: Per conversation with Nick from T & M, they were sent to DOT and County. On the 2009 BSF Grant, Sally is waiting for some photos.

October NJ Shade Tree Federation Convention: Abbie, Ray, Larry, Sally, Ryan are attending.

Sally mentioned per the community Forestry website, Dumont is the best educated in Core training.

New Business: Getting together at 8:30 am in the arboretum to dig holes for signages. Sally requested Rafael to call Kevin Kane if he can lend us equipment. Ryan suggested looking into renting from Home Depot.

Shade Tree Commission was invited on September 21 6pm to the Ground breaking of the Literacy Garden at Honiss School.

Important date for 2012: Arbor Day is April 28, 2012.

Meeting dates for 2012: 1/23, 2/13, 3/19, 4/16, 5/21, 6/18, 7/16, 8/20, 9/17, 10/15, 11/19, 12/17

Motion to close meeting per Sally, Second by Tom. Next meeting is October 17, 7:30, at Dumont Library.